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In re Application of: MILLS )  
Serial No.: Not yet assigned ) Examiner: Not yet assigned  
Filing Date: Filed herewith ) Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ) Attorney Docket No.: G03.015  
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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**

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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 USC 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LEASE BUYOUT**

and invented by: **MILLS**

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1.  Filing Fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2.  Specification having 28 pages and including the following:
  - a.  Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b.  Cross references to Relate Applications (*if applicable*)
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  - e.  Background of the Invention
  - f.  Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g.  Brief Description of the Drawings (*if drawings filed*)
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  - i.  Claim(s) as Classified Below
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3.  Drawing(s) (*when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113*)
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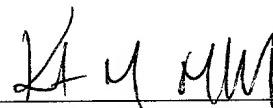
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Indep. Claims	9	- 3	6	\$ 80.00	\$ 480.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (If applicable, please add \$ 260.00)					\$ 0.00
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